

IN THE FRONT ROW

HEADLINERS TONIGHT
Stock Productions

Hippodrome.....The Lure
Princess.....Mimosa San.
Nelson.....The Girl That Didn't Matter
Judith of the Cumberland
Dixie.....Return of Draw Egan
Grand.....Love and Hate

THIS late Kay Bee picture, "The Return of Draw Egan" which is at the Dixie today, William S. Hart goes back to the type of part in which he is best loved, that of the Western "badman," quick on the "draw," with a chip on his shoulder, and later reformed through his love of a sweet girl whose innocence and purity become his greatest inspiration. He is shown in battle, in ambush and riding, as only he can ride, on his famous piebald broncho, and meeting out justice for a community and for himself when the villain whom he once befriended tries to blackmail him. In a sense, it is a complete review of all the splendid qualities that have made him famous, written by the greatest photograph dramatist, C. Gardner Sullivan.

A private rehearsal of "The Lure" is taking place at the Hippodrome theatre this afternoon, at which a number of business and professional men of the town are present. The purpose of giving this performance in private is to assure the house management that it will be free from all objectionable features when it is given its first public performance tonight. "The Lure" abounds in many startling climaxes and sensational situations. It has created a furore in every city in which it has thus far been presented, and in several instances, owing to a lack of appreciation of the author's aim and the boldness with which he drives home some telling truths, there have been protests against its showing, but always the difficulty has found a way out by a modification of some phases of the play. The Hippodrome Players hope to present it here in its entirety and have been rehearsing it for nearly a week from the original script which was secured from the Schuberts through Mr. Hellman's New York brokers. Today's review by unbiased citizens will most likely result in a full approval of the arrangements made by the house. However, on account of the general subject with which the play deals children under 15 years will not be admitted to any of the four performances.

In addition to this extraordinary attraction Mr. Hellman will give away a sum of money at each night performance and enters into an agreement with the lucky ticket holders to help swell the Times Christmas Fund. For every amount donated to this worthy cause of the winners the management will donate a like amount.

On Thursday, when the first presentation of "A House of Mystery" will be given, the newswires and carriers employed by The West Virginian will be the guests of Manager Hellman and occupy seats in the front of the house. There will probably be at least a half hundred of these hustling little news merchants, and they ought to have a good time as the play to be given is full of weird and mysterious episodes calculated to stir the feelings of these red-blooded little fellows. Mr. Redie, circulation manager, will personally look after the boys and take them from the office to the theatre in a body.

Another thrilling episode of the Beatrice Fairfax series is at the Princess today. The Princess has a big week in store for its patrons. Notable among the features will be the lecture and picture, "Segregation" on Wednesday. The matinee on that date will be for women only.

OLD STAGER.

EAST SIDE NEWS

John Richards Dead.

A message received Saturday by Misses Jane and Ann Richards stated that their brother, John Richards, of Norton, W. Va., was dead. Mr. Richards had been ill for some time and his death was not unexpected. One son, Francis, aged thirteen years, survives. Funeral services were held yesterday and burial made at that place. Master Francis Richards is expected here in a few days to make his future home with his aunts.

A Daughter.

A daughter was born Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hall, of East Park avenue.

Will Entertain Club.

Misses Maude and Edna Jenkins, of Diamond street, will entertain the Hope Sewing Club on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Harter Improving.

Mrs. C. E. Harter, of Wilson street, who is a patient at Cook hospital, is improving.

A Son.

A son was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Edward McDonald, of Watson. Mrs. McDonald was formerly Miss Emma Hawkins, of Colfax.

Personals.

Miss Jane Richards, of Pruntytown, spent the week-end here.

Mrs. James Smallwood, of East Ferry street, is recovering from a few days' illness.

Mr. Blatt, of Wheeling, is the guest of his son on Elkins street.

Mrs. T. D. Harden, who has been ill of gripe the past week, is recovering slowly.

Deserved.

"Blacksmiths seem to have a reputation for honesty." "Deservedly so, but due partly, perhaps, to the nature of the business. Nobody encumbers a blacksmith with trust funds. There is nothing to adulterate in his line. Compared with some of us, a blacksmith has few temptations to resist."—Kansas City Journal.

"GLAD GIRL" OF THE "GLAD PLAY" GIVES HER RECIPE FOR GLADNESS!



PATRICIA COLLINGE

(This is the season of gladness—and here's HOW to be glad!) The girl who has to play the "glad game" every day writes this article for The West Virginian, expounding her philosophy of cheer. The great comedy hit of the season in New York has been Patricia Collinge, playing in "Pollyanna," the glad play. "Pollyanna" is a veritable embodiment of cheerfulness, and Patricia Collinge in the title role has abruptly become the world's foremost authority on how to be glad. You really aren't up-to-date on Christmas cheer unless you read what Patricia Collinge has to say about it.—EDITOR.)

By PATRICIA COLLINGE.

(Star of "Pollyanna," the Glad Play.)

There's no time like Christmas time in which to begin playing the "glad game" for it is the season of cheer. And what's the "glad game"? Some one asks who hasn't read about or seen Pollyanna? It's more a state of mind than anything else, though there are certain rules to be followed before you can really get yourself into that state of mind.

You must try desperately to find something to be glad about, in every situation that arises. It is literally adapting to yourself the old saying "Cheer up, it might be worse."

If you're out of a job, but have perfect health, be glad that you're not like that poor unfortunate slouching along across the street. He's out of work, too, but he's a cripple and tubercular. Cross over and give him a word of cheer. Give him a real Christmas greeting.

If you're doing fairly well, don't let yourself be eaten up with envy when

you see the bank president rolling by in his imported limousine. Be glad that you haven't got his indignation and that you can take your coat off when you get home and play with the baby in your shirt sleeves. Yes, and eat your dinner in them, too, if you want to. Life can't, poor man. He's got to slip into a dinner coat and be waited on by an English butler. If you're going home with an armful of packages and you slip on an icy spot on the sidewalk and come in sudden and entirely unexpected contact with the pavement, don't startle the innocent bystanders with a line of conversation unfit for publication and acquire an ingrowing grudge that will last until bed-time. Play the Glad Game. Smile and be glad that you didn't break your leg.

Don't make a routine of your Christmas giving. Don't go through with it like some sort of a formal ritual. Put joy and gladness into it. Don't keep frowning on the streets of your city, look how much it's costing you in cold hard cash, and don't keep considering the man who invented Christmas presents to Dante's seventh hell. Think of the gladness that you are giving to others and be sure that you are going to make some folk really glad to pick up on a few cheerless ones to give little gifts to.

Be glad there is a Christmas season in which you can find a million reasons for being glad if you'll half try. And when it comes to making your New Year's resolutions a week after Christmas day, be glad that you have the chance to swear off being a grouch forever and always.

PLAY THE GLAD GAME. It's the best and finest game in the world!

Interesting Machine.

The most interesting perpetual motion machine, was the clock built by James Cox, a London jeweler, in the eighteenth century. This was made self-winding by a barometer attachment arranged to actuate a cogwheel in such a manner that whether the mercury rose or fell the wheel always revolved in the same direction and kept the clock weight always wound up. The chief difficulty Cox had to overcome was to prevent overwinding. This he accomplished by a device that caused the cogwheel to throw itself out of gear when the weight was wound nearly to the top.

BURIED BESIDE SON.

The body of Mrs. Sarah Hunt who died at the Marion county almshouse recently and whose body was interred there was disinterred and today was buried beside the body of her son who was killed in a mine accident at Moorhoush. After her son's death the aged woman had no one to provide for her and was forced to go to the county home.

Upon learning of her death and knowing her request that she be buried beside her son to whom she was devoted, friends made up a purse and the body was laid beside that of her son in the cemetery at White Rock today, following brief services at the church at White Rock.



BRYAN CELEBRATES

Large Audiences were out yesterday at the Palatine Baptist church, the services being marked throughout the day by special features. An old folks service featured the morning service when Rev. John Brown preached a sermon appropriate to the mothers and fathers of his congregation.

A loving cup was presented to Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Orr, pioneer residents of the city and for many years prominently identified with the work of the Palatine church, as a token of the esteem in which they are held by the congregation of the church. Mr. and Mrs. Orr have been members of this church for a period of forty years.

On account of failing health another pioneer resident of the city, and a faithful member of this church, John T. Latham, was unable to be present and a basket of flowers was sent to him. Mrs. Powell, another aged member of the church, was also presented with a basket of flowers as a mark of appreciation.

The evening service was featured by a young people's rally which was addressed by City Superintendent of Schools Otis G. Wilson. Approximately one hundred young men and women attended this service in a body. These young people composed the Poe class of the Sunday school.

On next Sunday morning the annual Christmas program will be given and the treat distributed to the children of the Sabbath school. The public is invited to these services.

A Manager's Opinion.

"Nero fiddled while Rome burned." "I don't believe it. No violinist would consent to appear on the same program with a pyrotechnic display."

MANNINGTON NEWS

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Big Strike.

The Carnegie Gas company have made a big strike at their Geo. M. Isminger No. 1 in Green county, Pa., near Board Tree, W. Va. When drilled into the Gordon sand the well started at 50 barrels an hour and is now making 45 barrels per hour.

Christmas Checks Mailed.

The Bank of Mannington Thursday paid out six thousand dollars in Christmas saving funds to two hundred and fifty persons. The club is growing larger each year and promises to more than double its former membership for next year.

D. A. R. Meeting.

Mrs. Luella Blackshire pleasantly entertained members of the West Augusta Chapter D. A. R. at her home on Center street Thursday afternoon. A reading was given by Mrs. J. S. Furber entitled "Mrs. Kris Kindle." The story of Elizabeth Zane was read by Mrs. Mary Coleman. A lunch was served by the hostess.

Present Operetta.

The girls' club of the Mannington High school, assisted by Master Charles Atkinson, will give an operetta entitled "The Wild Rose," in two acts, in the school auditorium on Tuesday evening, December 19, under the direction of Mrs. Bessie R. Shipman, instructor of music in the schools. The young ladies taking part have spent much time in preparation for the musical number. The entertainment is for the public, no admission will be charged.

Successful Services.

The evangelistic services at the Christian church are proving a great success. A splendid audience gathered last night to hear Evangelist Boden.

Personals.

Mrs. H. B. Beatty and son, John, have returned from a visit to Fairmont.

Mrs. R. M. Moon Hite has returned from Fairmont where she was visiting the Misses Wright.

Frank Fisher has returned to his home in Hundred after a shopping trip to this city.

Nie Powers, of Fairmont, was a business visitor here yesterday.

Jas. Gault, Jr., has been transferred to the Hope Gas office at Hastings.

William Renshaw is home from the Kansas oil fields for a visit with his family.

Mary and Russell Weekly, of Farmington, are here for a visit with relatives.

Study Class.

Monday evening at the M. E. church there will be a study class in "Evangelism" at 7 o'clock lasting forty-five minutes. Come promptly.

At Auditorium.

Tuesday evening of this week the Girls' Glee club of the local High school assisted by Master Charles Atkinson will give an operetta entitled "The Wild Rose," in the Auditorium. The public is invited and no admission will be charged.

Anniversary.

Friday evening at 7:30 the M. E. Sunday school will hold its anniversary to which every one is invited. An interesting program is scheduled.

W. H. M. S.

The W. H. M. S. will meet in the lower parlors of the M. E. church at 2:30 for a business session.

Appointment.

A. L. Prichard of this city, has accepted the appointment as deputy from the incoming sheriff, A. M. Glover, who takes office January first. Mr. Prichard's business qualifications for the office are all that could be desired and no more popular man could have been selected to look after the business of the county in this end.

Revival.

District Superintendent Rev. James W. Short, of Dayton, Ohio, is conducting revival services at the Nararone church on East Main street. The revival has started with growing interest and attendance. Services each evening at 7:30 on Sunday at 2:30 and 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. Oscar Snodgrass has returned from Weston where she was visiting with Mrs. George Ward.

Born Saturday, December 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Burt, a daughter.

Mrs. W. M. Michaels has returned from Oil City, Pa., where she was visiting with relatives.

Harry Tederick, of Pleasant street, has returned from a business visit to Wheeling.

Mrs. Luella Blackshire, of Centre street, is in Wheeling for a visit with friends.

Mrs. G. A. Brown and sons, of Farmington, are in town for a visit with friends.

Robert and Elbert Goodwin, of Fairmont, are in town for a visit with Master Lynn Rymer.

E. F. Millan has returned from Rymor where he was visiting with his father.

Miss MacGloucus, of McConnellsville, is in town to spend the holidays with Mrs. Jesse Shimp.

Rick Cunningham, of Curtisville, is here for a business visit.

Here is a New Shaving Harness.

Another device has been invented to reduce a man's misery as he writes under the razor. This time it is a shaving harness. The mirror, shaving brush and shaving cup are all attached to the band. Armed with this equipment a three days' growth of beard can be attacked with absolute certainty that the task will be completed without the usual contortions of the head and neck. —Popular Science Monthly.

MRS. NANCY RICE BURIED.

Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Nancy E. Rice, aged 82 years, widow of William Rice, whose death occurred Saturday morning at her home on Enarrah's run, were conducted on Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from the residence and interment was made in the Coogle cemetery by Undertaker R. L. Cunningham. Impressive services were conducted by Rev. Yake, assisted by Rev. Henry B. Morgan, of this city.

A BOX OF CANDY!

And From the Mountain City Drug Store. How Nice!

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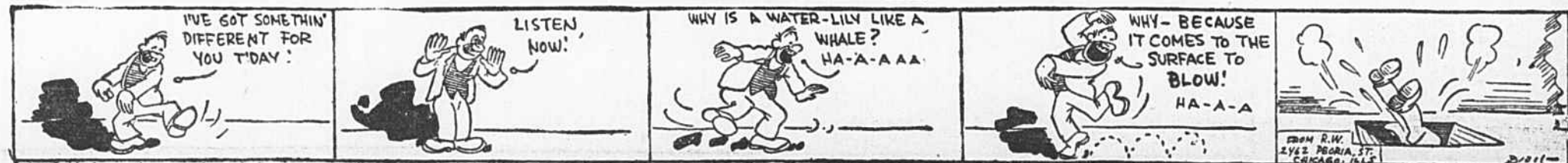
The House of Mystery

MISS PATTI MCKINLEY AS THE GIRL

3 NIGHTS ONLY

MATINEE WEDNESDAY

CHESTNUT CHARLIE.



JUDGE MASON CONCLUDES TERM

Judge Ritz of Bluefield Will Succeed Local Man Jan. 1.

CHARLESTON Dec. 18. — When the fall term of the Supreme Court of Appeals ended Friday, Judge John W. Mason concluded his work with this year and he will be succeeded January 1 by Judge Harold A. Ritz, of Bluefield. The term of Judge W. Miller will also expire at that time, but he was elected to succeed himself.

Judge Mason served about fourteen months on the supreme bench. He succeeded Judge Ira E. Robinson, who resigned to become a Republican candidate for governor. Judge Mason will return to his former home in a lawsuit. Before closing the books for the term the following actions were taken by the court:

Writ of error and supercedas, awarded in the case from Mercer county of Mollie Stinson against W. J. Cahill; appeal and supercedas allowed in the case from Wood county of Albertine Andre against George Huffman and others.

Notices that rehearings were refused in the following cases were sent out today:

Thomas against Lewis Hubbard and Company from Kanawha county; State against Hurley, from Marshall county; Bunch against Sorti Insurance Association, from Mercer county; Oil Company against Gardner, from Kanawha county; Rhodes against Coal company, from McDowell county; Daley against Bliffe, from Raleigh county.

Peculiarity of Railroad Travel.

A man's whiskers always seem to grow faster while he is riding on a train. Did you ever step off a train without the feeling that you needed a shave?

THE WEST VIRGINIAN'S

Newsboys' Night

AT THE

HIPPODROME THEATRE

THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 21

TO SEE THE

Hippodrome Players in "The House of Mystery."

Reservations have been donated by Manager Hellman and all carriers and newswires in the service of The West Virginian who wish to see this play free are requested to notify Mr. Redie, circulation manager of The West Virginian as early as possible.

YOU are cordially invited to visit our store where we have on display a beautiful line of framed pictures. We have a complete line of frame moldings in the newest patterns for Xmas trade. Our work is neatly done at reasonable prices.

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